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SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

DECISION

Docket No. AB 55 (Sub-No. 784X)

CSX TRANSPORTATION, INC.—ABANDONMENT EXEMPTION—  
IN COBB COUNTY, GA.

Decided: November 19, 2018

CSX Transportation, Inc. (CSXT), has filed a verified notice of exemption under 49 C.F.R. pt. 1152 subpart F—Exempt Abandonments to abandon an approximately 2.3-mile rail line on its Atlanta Terminal Subdivision, Atlanta Division, between milepost SG 579.29 near Plant Atkinson Road and milepost SG 581.61 just west of East-West Connector, in Cobb County, Ga. (the Line). Notice of the exemption was served and published in the Federal Register on November 2, 2018 (83 Fed. Reg. 55,232). The exemption is scheduled to become effective on December 2, 2018, and interim trail use/rail banking requests under 49 C.F.R. § 1152.29 were due by November 9, 2018.

On November 9, 2018, Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT) submitted a motion seeking additional time to file an interim trail use/rail banking request, stating that GDOT's newly engaged counsel needs additional time to become fully acquainted with this transaction. On November 14, 2018, CSXT filed a reply concurring with GDOT's request and proposing the due date be extended by 20 days.

Under these circumstances, an extension of the due date for interim trail use/rail banking requests to November 29, 2018, is reasonable and will be granted.

It is ordered:

1. GDOT's request to extend the deadline to file interim trail use/rail banking requests is granted.
2. The deadline to file requests for interim trail use/rail banking is extended to November 29, 2018.
3. This decision is effective on its service date.

By the Board, Scott M. Zimmerman, Acting Director, Office of Proceedings.